



## Athletics AGM New Brunswick Meeting

**Date:** Nov.5, 2017

**Time:** 10:00 am

**Day's Inn - Oromocto, N.B.**

### Attendees:

Yes	Marc Lalonde	<i>ANB – President</i>	Yes	Bill MacMackin	<i>ANB Past President/SJTC</i>
Yes	Jen Butler	<i>ANB – Vice President</i>	Yes	Scott Anderson	<i>Director at Large</i>
Yes	Carl Cummings	<i>ANB – Official Chair</i>	Yes	Germain Landry	<i>FLTC</i>
Yes	Mary Brosnan	<i>ANB – Run NB Representative</i>	Yes	Yvan Pelletier	<i>FLTC</i>
Yes	Clayton Saunders	<i>ANB – Legion Representative</i>	Yes	James Peabody	<i>ANB</i>
Yes	Michele LeBlanc	<i>ANB – Secretary</i>	<b>Staff</b>		
Yes	Andy Justason	<i>ANB – Masters Representative</i>	Yes	Alex Holder	<i>ANB Staff – Director of RJTW</i>
Yes	Darren Blois	<i>ANB</i>	Yes	Gabriel LeBlanc	<i>ANB Staff – Executive Director</i>
Yes	Sandy Leland	<i>Director at Large</i>	Yes	Steve LeBlanc	<i>ANB Staff – High Performance Coordinator</i>
Yes	Sandy MacLean	<i>Director at Large</i>	Yes	Chris Belof	<i>ANB Staff – High Performance Coach</i>
Yes	Scott Davis	<i>Director at Large</i>			
Yes	Grant Sinclair	<i>Sport &amp; Rec Branch</i>			

### 1.0 Call to Order / Welcome / Apologies for Absence

Marc Lalonde welcomed everyone to the AGM and called the meeting to order. He made note that Steve L will speak on competitions under agenda item 5.1.

Rob Jackson sent his apologies. Mary Brosnan is here to represent Run NB.

Dave Thomas sends his apologies as well. Bill MacMackin will present Dave's report



## 2.0 Adoption of Agenda

**Motion:** Darren Blois

*That the Agenda be approved as presented.*

**Seconded:** Bill MacMackin

MOTION CARRIED

## 3.0 Approval of Previous Minutes of the 2017 SAGM

Corrections to minutes were suggested:

(1) SAGM should be called to order; not AGM

(2) Scott Anderson and Steve LeBlanc were in attendance.

**Motion:** Carl Cummings

*That the Previous Minutes be approved.*

**Seconded:** Scott Anderson

MOTION CARRIED

## 4.0 Reports

### 4.1 President's Report

- Marc noted that we do not need voting on any reports.
- In terms of operations, he is very pleased with the progress. Three more Board Committees have been put in place: Governance, Sponsorship and Awards.
- Pleased to report that we have secured an experienced Bookkeeper.
- Looking for a treasurer – Marc approached an Accounting Firm to ask a Jr Associate to take the role for experience. He expects to report back to Board in the near future.
- From an operations perspective, we had another successful year.
- We lost a key staff member in Jason but are very fortunate to have hired Chris Belof. Marc thanked Jason for helping making this a smooth transition and Bill MacMackin and the selection committee involved in the hiring process.
- Very pleased with our athletes progress. More athletes of all ages are getting to higher levels and in the process receiving great media exposure.
- Strategic Plan – Please see Report
- Officials – We need to draw more qualified officials into the system

In conclusion, thank you to all of you for everything you do for the sport. He also thanked Jennifer for her years of service.



## **4.2 & 4.2.1 Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement**

- Marc put report forward on behalf of Miriam. Please make note, there is an integration of ANB and Run NB Reports.
- Chris Belof had a question from page 9 regarding coaching and official development. It was noted that \$494 is part of Training and Professional Development (\$10,443)
- We are projecting a small surplus this year.
- We hosted Espoire in the summer of 2016 which cost ANB \$5000.
- This year was an expensive year with Canada Games and Francophonie (Africa)
- ADSP program has been very positive – the costs are \$20,000 to ANB
- Marc noted that our events, at the very least, should break even.
- ANB is actively involved in all Track and Field events, unlike other Provinces
- Sandy Leland asked a question regarding cost recovery on non-member events. (NBIAA, Indian Games). It was noted that we recover our costs and in some cases make a profit.
- Clayton Saunders noted that we should be referencing the same amount of money when referring to an appendix in Financial Statements.

### **4.2.2 Approval of Auditors**

Teed Saunders to be the Auditor for next year

**Motion:** Bill M

That the auditor for next year be approved.

**Seconded:** Germain L

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **4.2.3 Update on Current Year**

Please see earlier reports

## **4.3 Executive Director Report – Gabe L**

- Please see submitted report
- 120 Provincial Track and Field records throughout the year. Highlights would be Laura Dickenson's gold medal from Pan Ams, Gen Lalonde reaching the



finals at World's, Shayne Dobson Top 5 at IPC World Championships, Shelley Doucet's gold medal at Jeux de la Francophonie in Cote d'Ivoires

- 2017 was a very busy year plus spent 2 weeks in Africa as a Team NB coach
- Gabe thanked everyone for their support throughout the year

#### **4.4 High Performance Director – Steve L**

- Please refer to Steve's report
- Steve thanked Gabe and Yvan Pelletier for stepping in to coach NB at Jeux de la Francophonie so he could be a part of Team Canada.
- Coaching – good year last year.
- Marc noted that Steve's job has been renewed for 4 years with all of the partners agreeing to a scaled increase in salary over that time. Speaks well of the satisfaction level of Steve's work.

#### **4.5 High Performance Coach – Chris B**

- Please refer to submitted report
- Jennifer B asked about NCCP Surveys. Chris stated this is a very rigorous program and it should be made more accessible. He stated it was important to support coaches on their journey.
- He is enjoying working with UNBSJ and Saint John Track Club – the kids are great and very positive.
- Hoping to attract kids from outside the Province to come to UN.
- Very excited about the new Fieldhouse to be built in Saint John. UNB has the potential to be a Top 5 University program in the Country.
- Job also involves spending a few days a week in Fredericton

#### **4.6 RJT Director – Alex H**

- Refer to submitted report.
- Focus on further developing and defining the First Contact Program offering
- Work on Indoor Gymnasium meets; schools are very interested in this program
- School Running Clubs is an area we can increase participation
- Youth Road Running and Outdoor Trail running events has been showing high interest
- Jennifer B noted that it is great to have schools buy into the process. We can't have them all pushed to Clubs because we can't support them as coaches.



## **4.7 RunNB**

- Please refer to Robert Jackson's submitted report
- Mary Brosnan clarified that there were 11 records, not 9. The records were from 7 runners

Bill MacMackin spoke about the participation and relationship with Athletics (Track and Field) and Running. From an AC National level, they are trying to grow the relationship. Atlantic Canada, and in particular New Brunswick, has a great relationship between Athletics and Running.

Gabe noted that December 9 will be a Race Director's Summit in conjunction with Athletics Canada. ANB is the PSO for Run NB.

## **4.8 Masters Report – Andrew J**

- Please refer to submitted report
- The report focuses on records. There were 76 new records this year.
- We are down to 49 registered members. Need to put a focus on increasing membership
- Canadian Masters Athletics Indoor Championships would like to be held in Saint John when the new field house is ready
- World Masters Games coming to Toronto in 2020. Would like to see a strong representation from New Brunswick

## **4.9 Athletics Canada Report – Bill M**

- Feels privileged to have been elected Chair of Athletics Canada
- We are very diverse across the country.
- Purpose is to re-work AC's Strategic Plan. There has been a feeling of disconnect between branches and Athletics Canada which he is addressing.
- Bill had been travelling to all Provinces to meet and talk with Boards.
- Working on coaching development.
- Andy Walker (PEI) IN CHARGE OF Officials Committee.
- New High Performance Director – Simon Nathan
- Head Coach - Glenroy Gilbert
- Working on Governance improvements



#### **4.10 Governance Committee Report – Darren B**

- Please refer to submitted report
- Should have a draft revised Bylaws by next week to vote on
- After the Bylaws Draft, the Committee will do a Policy Review

#### **4.11.1 2017 Canada Games Report – Jason R**

- Please refer to submitted report from Jason R, Head Coach

#### **4.11.2 2017 CSG Manager's Report**

- See submitted report by Manager Rachelle MacDonald

#### **4.12 Jeux de la Francophonie Report**

- Please refer to Gabe LeBlanc's report
- Highlight – Gold Medal in Marathon by Shelley Doucet

#### **4.13 Legion Program Report**

- Refer to report submitted by Peter Stuart, Team Head Coach
- Clayton S summarized the event
- 100 Athletes attended NB Legions
- 669 Athletes both Legion and Open at National event; 35 NB athletes
- 1 medal – Erin Vringer – 13 year old won a silver in the 2000 meter
- 6 Legion Committee Members – Clayton, Helen, Alex C, Sue E, Peter S
- Clayton thanked Committee members and Gabe for all their support

#### **4.14 Officials Report – Carl C**

- Please refer to report handed out at meeting
- Carl to email report to Marc
- Summer students were a big help in events
- Very little influx in new officials in the system and our current officials are aging
- Difficulty is recruiting is happening across the Country



#### **4.15 Club Reports – moved to the end**

#### **4.16 Athlete Representative – Shayne D**

- Refer to submitted report

#### **4.18 Awards Committee – Scott D**

- Refer to submitted report
- Split Masters athletes in 2 awards; male and female
- Adding Andy J. to the committee helped with Masters awards
- Online submission form has worked well
- Will be outlining criteria in each category to make it more clear
- Recommending that ANB and Run NB meet to discuss integrating awards night
- Want to explore removing the Para athlete award and integrating the athletes under the same awards. Should go to the Board for a decision

#### **4.19 Sponsorship/Marketing Committee – Sandy M**

- Please refer to submitted report

#### **4.15 Club Reports**

##### **Fredericton Legion Track Club – Germain L**

- Membership numbers are the same as last year.
- Working well with the UNB team and seeing continued involvement

##### **ASEA – Sandy M**

- RJT going very well
- Doing a club reorganization; want to get the Board back up and running

##### **Chaleur – Jennifer B**

- A lot of younger athletes this year; grade 9 and 10's. Lost a lot of grade 12's last year
- Getting ready for Indoor track season

##### **Saint John Track Club – Bill M**

- Going well; numbers are looking good this year; 230 kids
- Need to increase the numbers by 30-40% by the time the indoor facility is built



### **Fast Tracks – Michele L**

- 3 coaches - Greg and Kathleen looking after High School and Team coaching. Andrea looking after middle school age
- Going well and manageable numbers

## **5.0 New Business**

### **5.1 Competition Committee**

Steve L noted that we want to form a Competition Committee. The Committee would present the Spring/Summer schedule at the AGM and the Fall Cross Country schedule at the SAGM. The Board will initiate discussion.

### **5.2 Athletes moving up in an Age Class**

- Follow Athletics Canada rule where the athlete can move up one category
- We will deal with this at the Board level

## **4.19 – Nominating Committee**

- See nominations Report
- Vacancy in Treasurer position – will be appointing this role soon
- Want to thank members of the Board that are leaving

**Motion:** Carl C

That the appointment of a new treasurer be approved

**Seconded:** Jennifer B

## **6.0 Election of Officers and Directors**

There were no election of Officers and Directors as there were no other nomination. The nominees as presented are therefore approved.

## **7.0 Other Business – Grant S.**

Grant Sinclair with Sport and Recreation Branch was present at meeting. The Branch provides core funding support. He congratulated ANB on their great work.





## **8.0 Adjournment**

**Motion:** Sandy L

The next SAGM will be April 29, 2018 in Moncton